



# TCS-08 Near Real-Time Satellite Field Program Support and Validation

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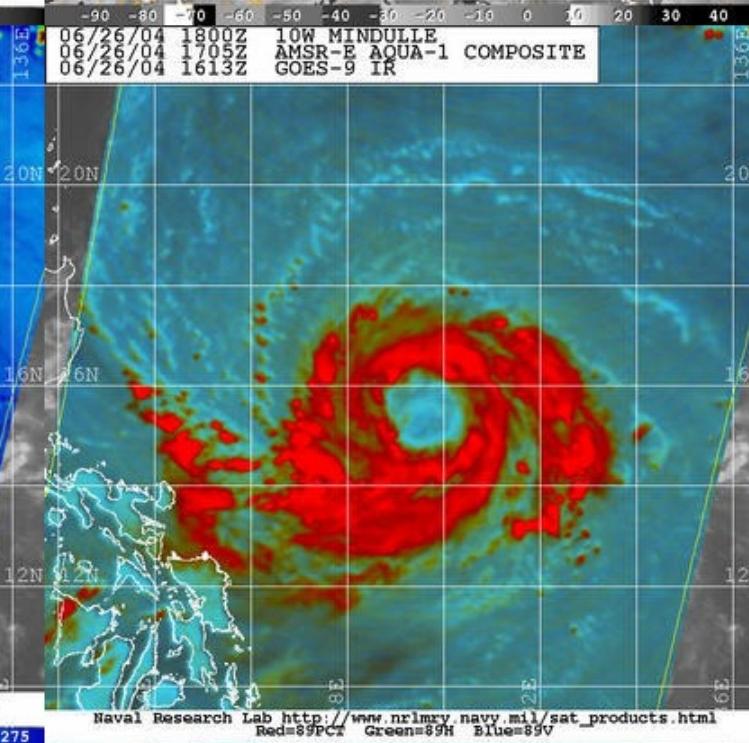
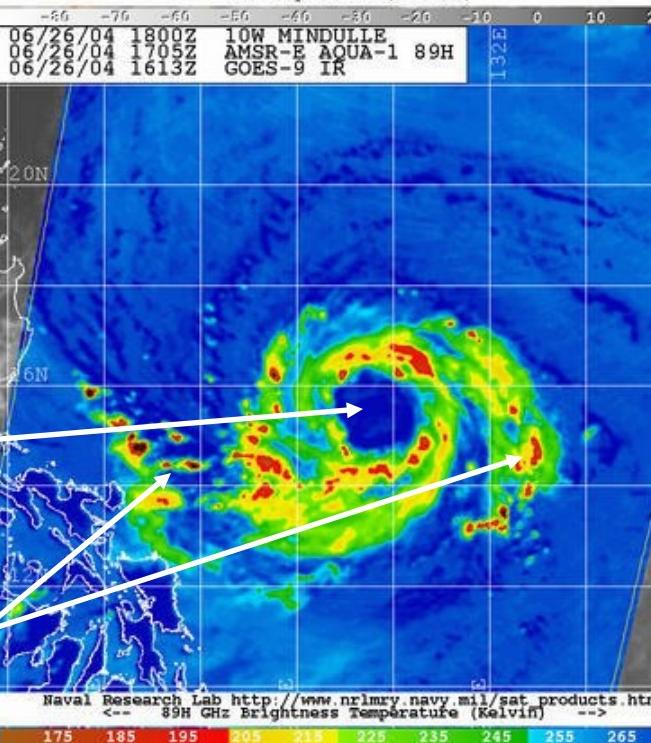
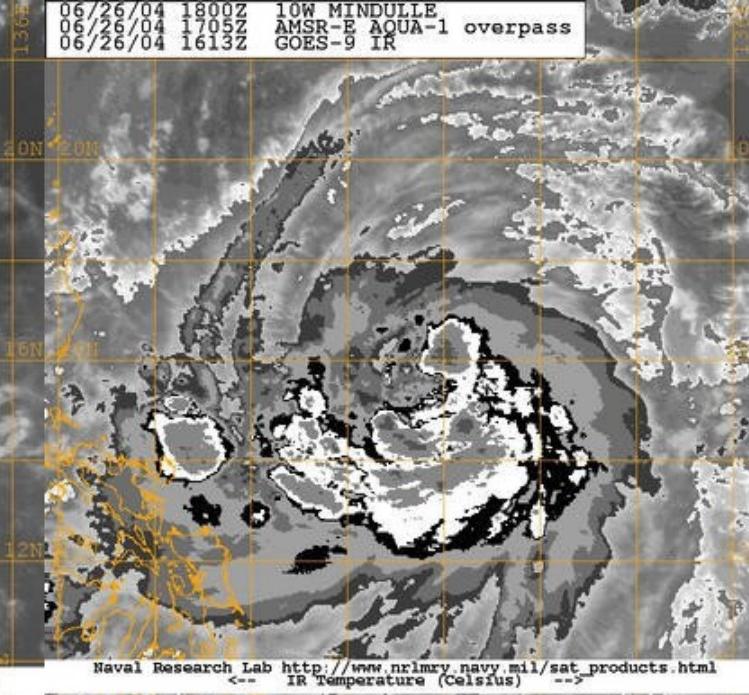
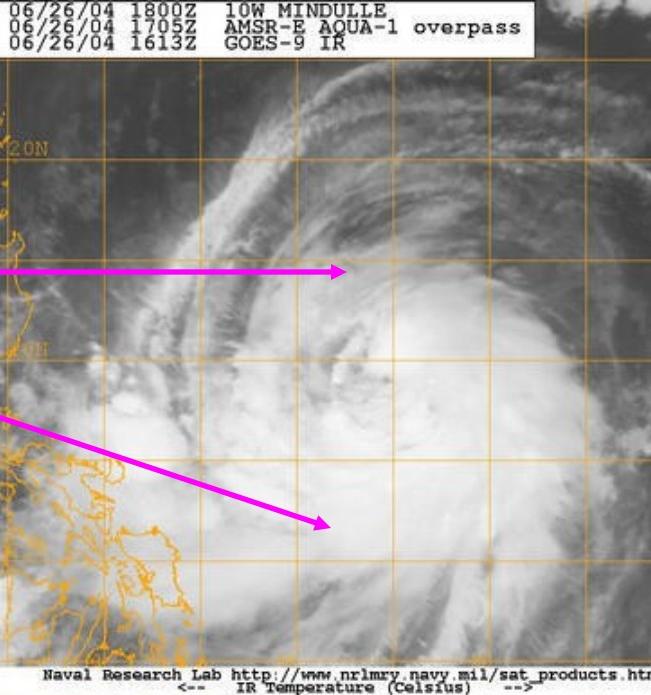
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# TCS-08 Field Program

**Storm Basins & Names**

2008 Storms

All Active Year

Atlantic

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East Pacific

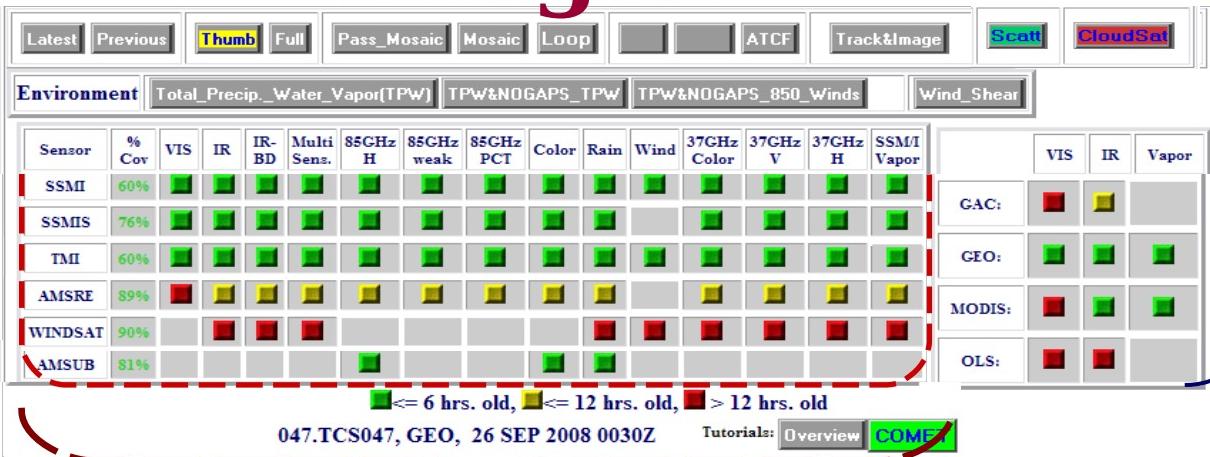
Central Pacific

West Pacific

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Indian Ocean

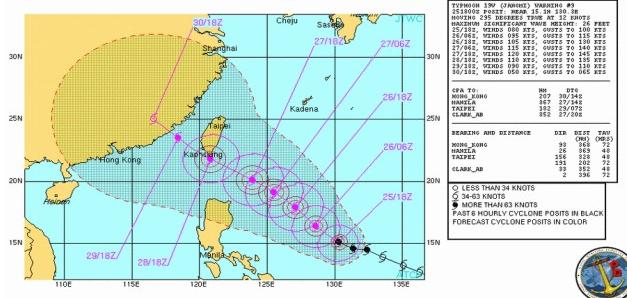
Southern Hem.  
Season: 09



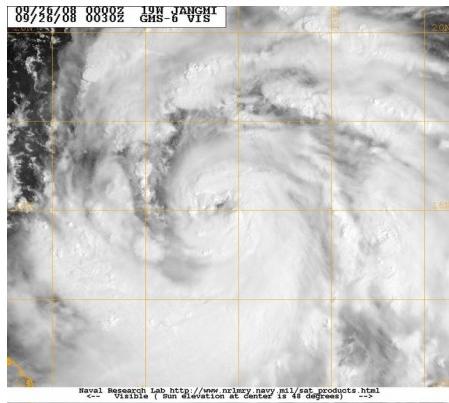
**Scatterometer & CloudSat**

**Vis/IR imagery suite**

## Microwave imager/sounder product suite



**Automated Tropical Cyclone Forecasting (ATCF) System warning graphic**



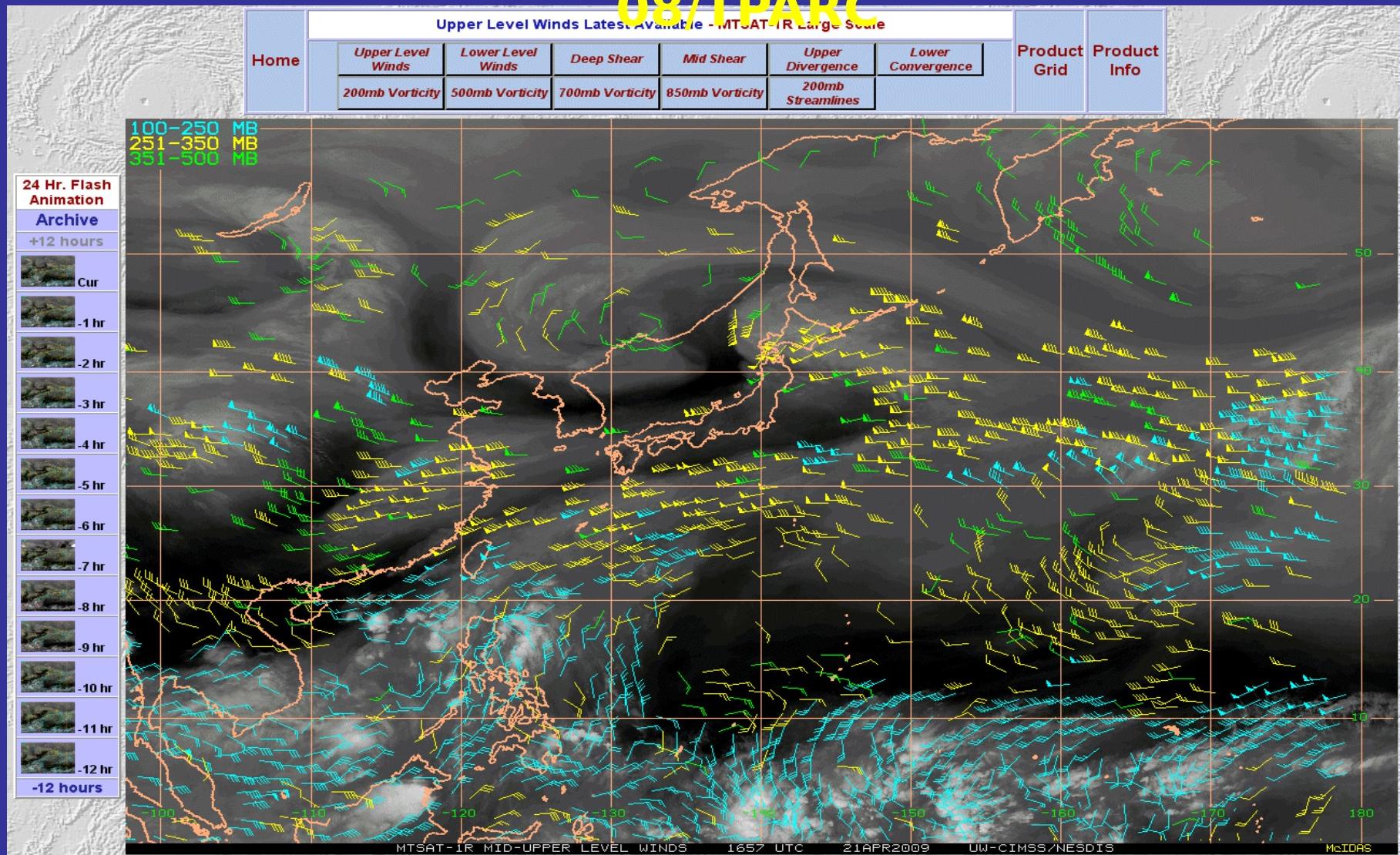
**Latest 1-km Visible/IR imagery (GEO/LEO)**

**30 minute MTSAT refresh with AVHRR/OLS as available**

## NRL Satellite Page



# Cloud and water vapor-tracked winds: TCS-08/TPARC

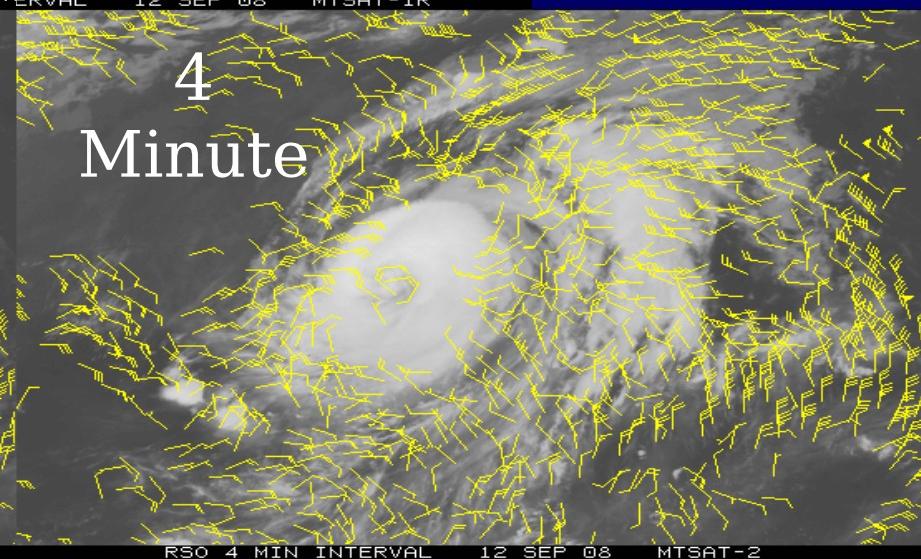
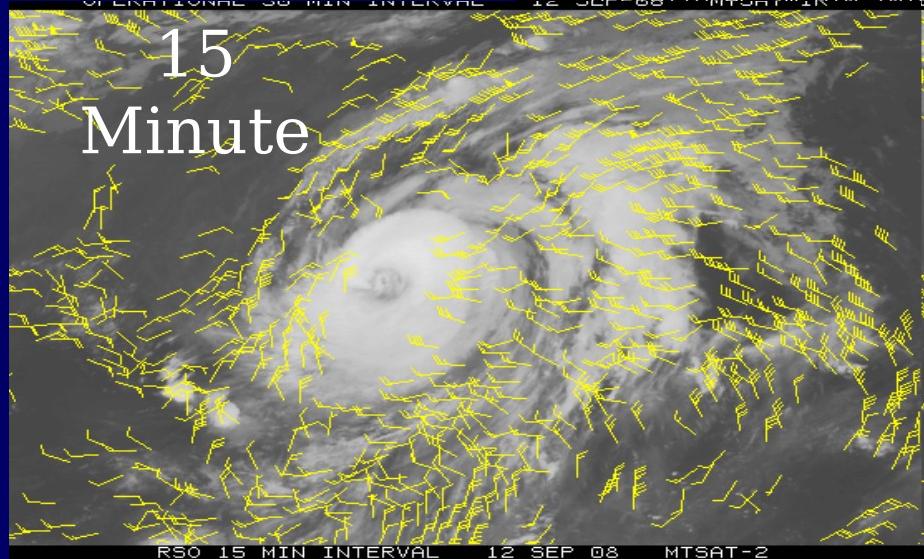
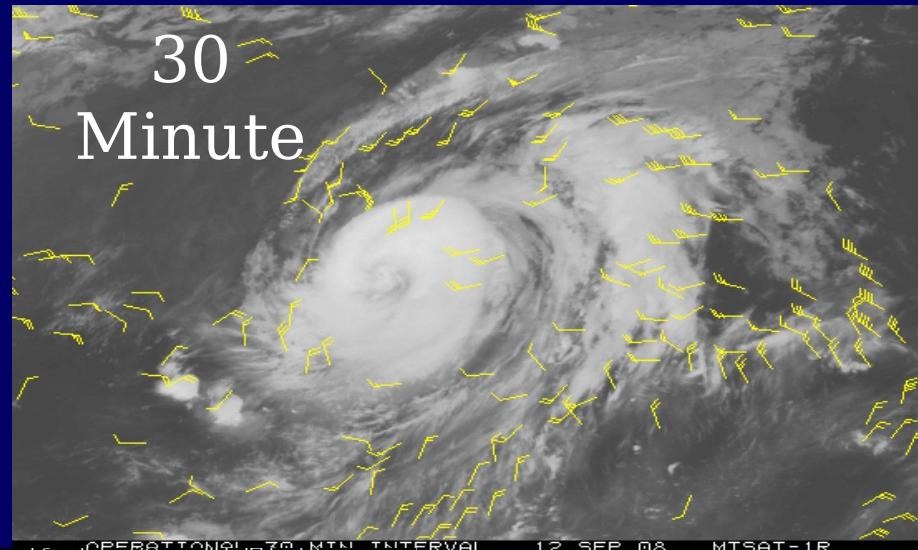


CIMSS MTSAT-1R hourly winds now a routinely available to JTWC.  
The vectors are disseminated to NRL-MRY for NOGAPS model assimilation.

Velden/Stettner



# MTSAT Rapid Scan Wind Vectors



**NOGAPS 4DVAR assimilation and model forecast impact studies underway**

Future plans for COAMPS TC assimilation experiments



# TCS-08 Satellite Cal/Val

WC-130J Penetrations: TC Intensity (MSLP & Max Winds):

- Single
- Double
- Triple



13W  
Nuri

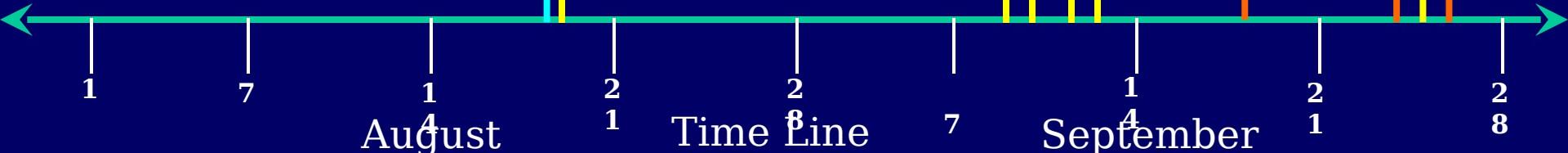
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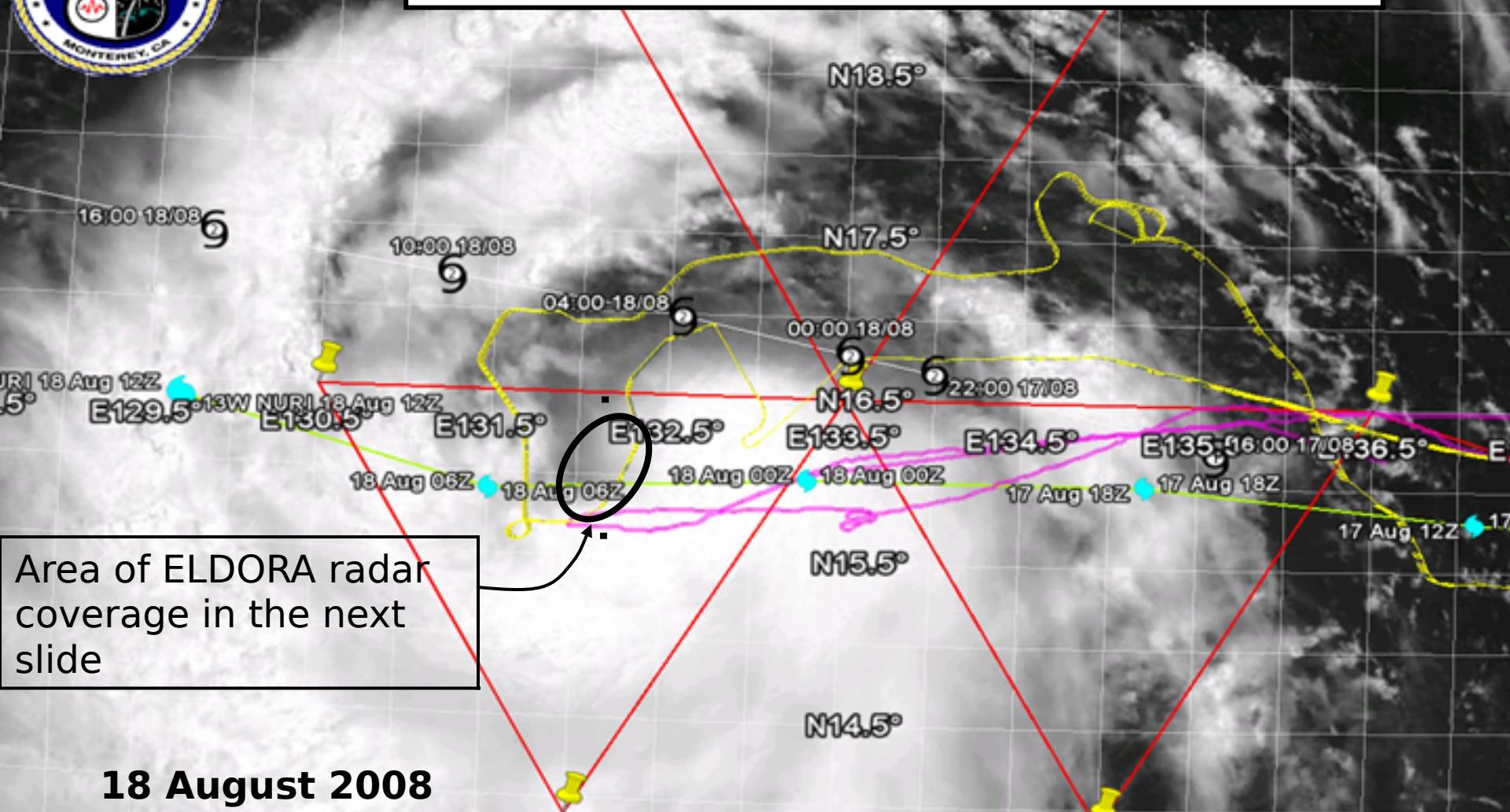
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# TCS-08 3rd flight into the Pre-TY Nuri (13W) [Harr]



18 August 2008

- **NRL P-3 flight track**
- **WC-130J flight track**
- **Planned WC-130 flight**

**Screen capture of real-time display during aircraft operations**

N13.5°  
Image NASA  
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**track**



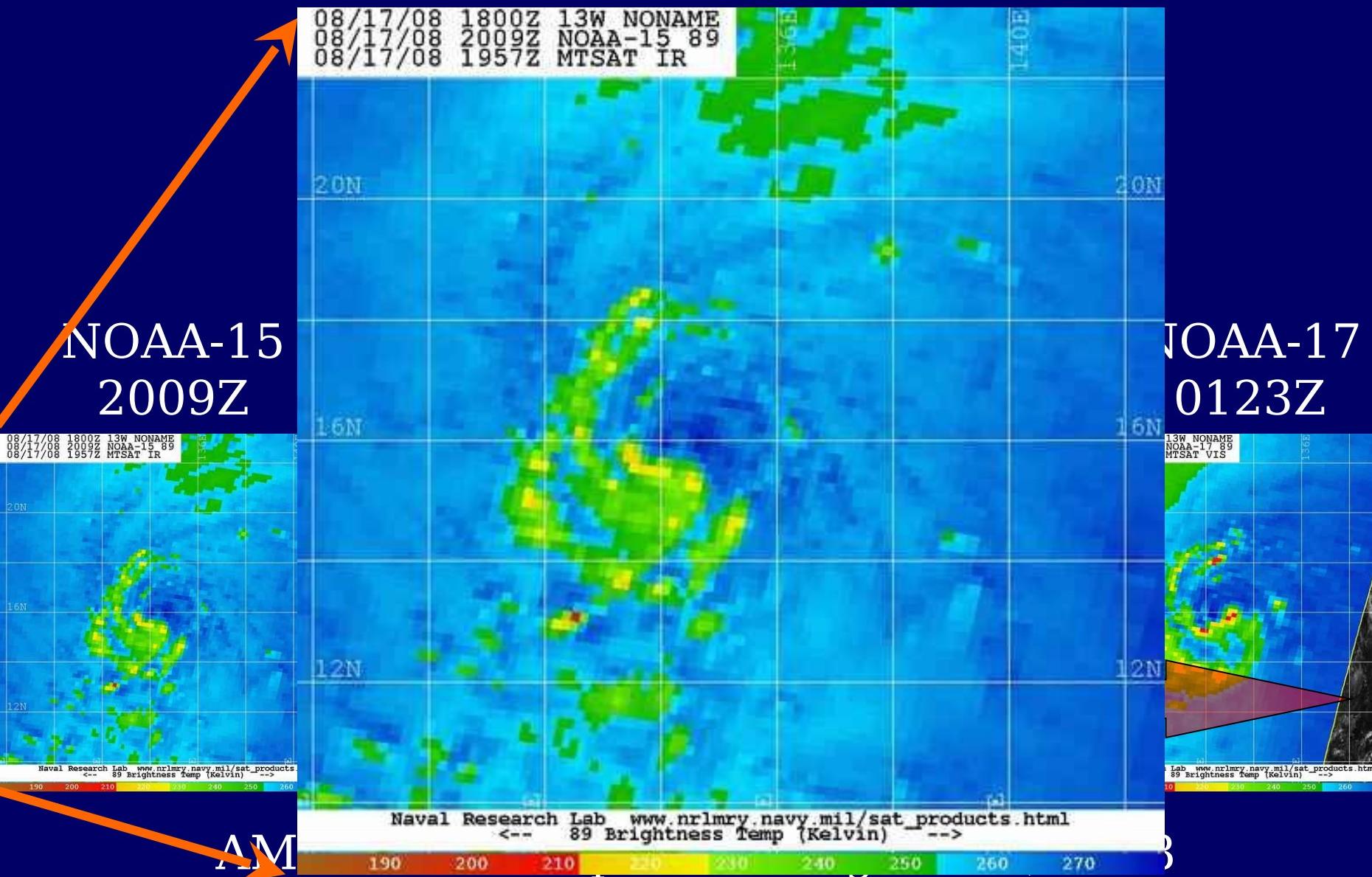
# TCS-08 Satellite Cal-Val



3 Engines: One WC-130J Nuri penetration - then home (Guam)



# TCS-08 Satellite Cal-Val





# *Analysis of Sat-Based TC Intensity Estimation in the*

**WC-130J storm center fixes within +/- ~4 hours of corresponding AMSU overpasses**

Storm amsu_pass	yyyymmddhhmm	lat	lon	mslp	msw	
13W	200808172300	15.77N	133.62E	994	45	172008
13W	200808182200	16.95N	127.25E	977	78	182034
15W	200809090600	17.87N	125.25E	986	62	090511
15W	200809100600	20.24N	124.33E	954	90	100501
15W	200809100800	20.42N	124.37E	946	100	100807
15W	200809111300	21.80N	124.75E	940	90	110819
15W	200809121700	23.83N	123.22E	953	90	121713
15W	200809180400	30.33N	130.24E	981	65	180818
15W	200809190400	33.02N	135.09E	975	75	190755
15W	200809191800	34.18N	139.22E	978	65	192014
19W	200809242100	13.50N	134.18E	991	55	242001
19W	200809260000	15.77N	129.65E	973	75	251640
19W	200809260200	16.10N	129.35E	967	80	260506
19W	200809270900	21.09N	124.78E	904	135	270832

***TCS-08 satellite validation cases were limited!***

# ***Analysis of Sat-Based TC Intensity Estimation in the WNP***



## **Comparison of All Satellite-based Estimates - Vmax (Kts)**

<b>N=13</b>	<b>'Blind' Dvorak Consensus</b>	<b>Oper Dvorak Consensus (w/Koba)</b>	<b>ADT w/MW</b>	<b>CIMSS AMSU</b>	<b>SATCON</b>
<b>Bias</b>	<b>2.9</b>	<b>1.4</b>	<b>-5.8</b>	<b>3.1</b>	<b>0.2</b>
<b>Abs Error</b>	<b>9.1</b>	<b>12.3</b>	<b>12.8</b>	<b>9.2</b>	<b>9.1</b>
<b>RMSE</b>	<b>11.8</b>	<b>14.8</b>	<b>16.6</b>	<b>10.7</b>	<b>11.1</b>

Positive Bias indicates method estimates are too strong

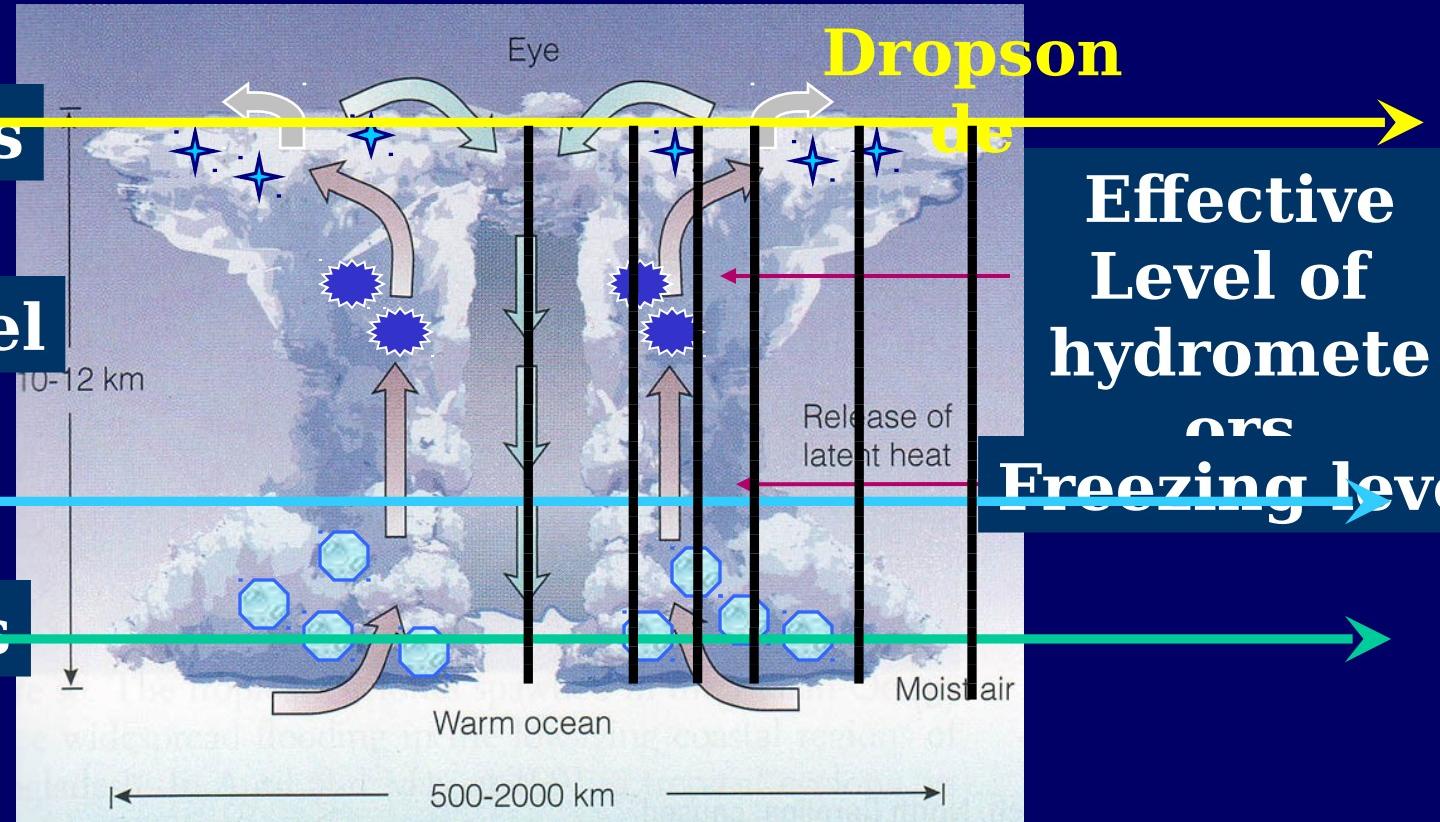


# High Level Invests (30,000')

Ice Crystals  
30,000'

Hail/Graupel

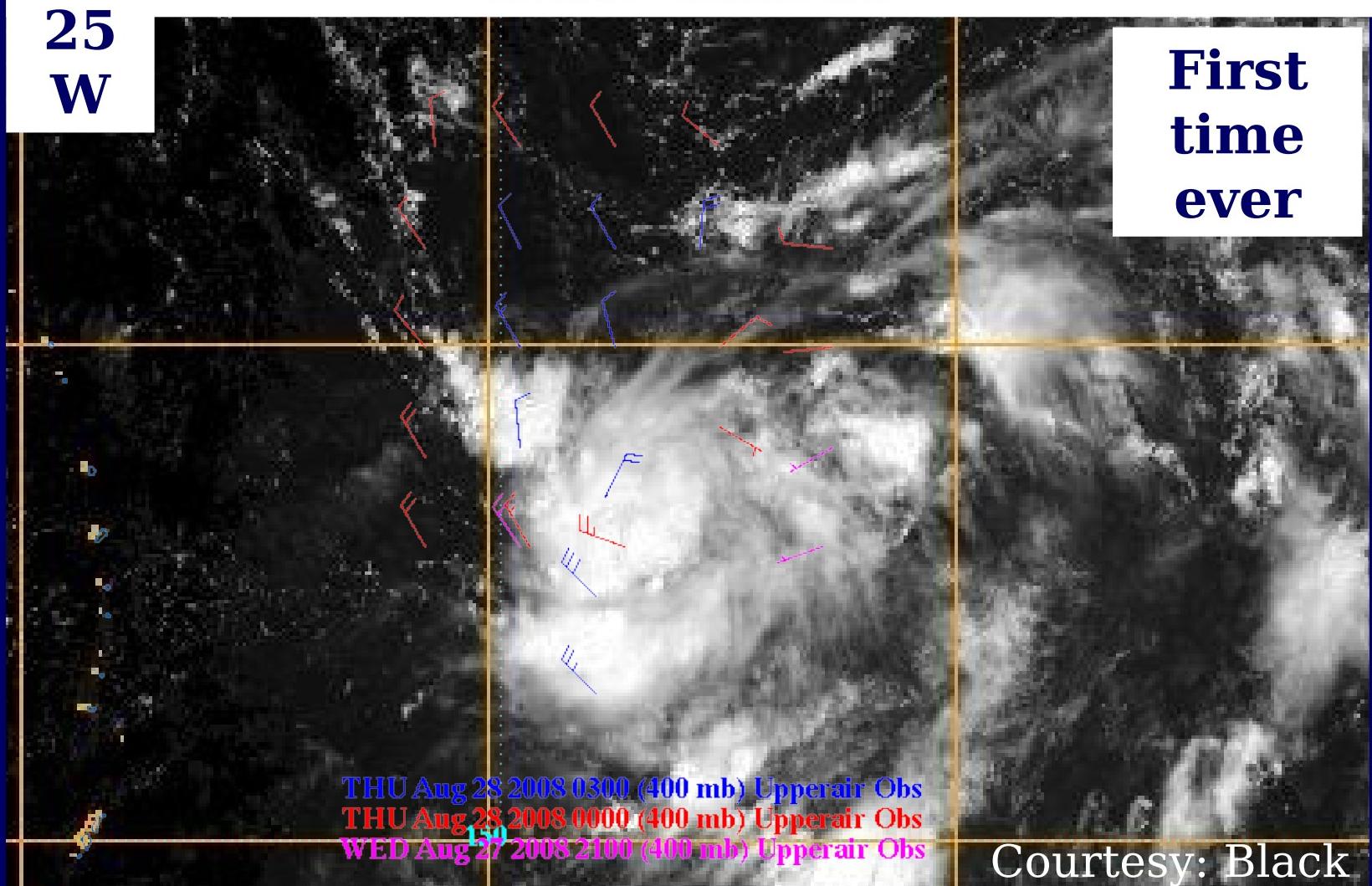
10,000'  
Raindrops  
1,500'

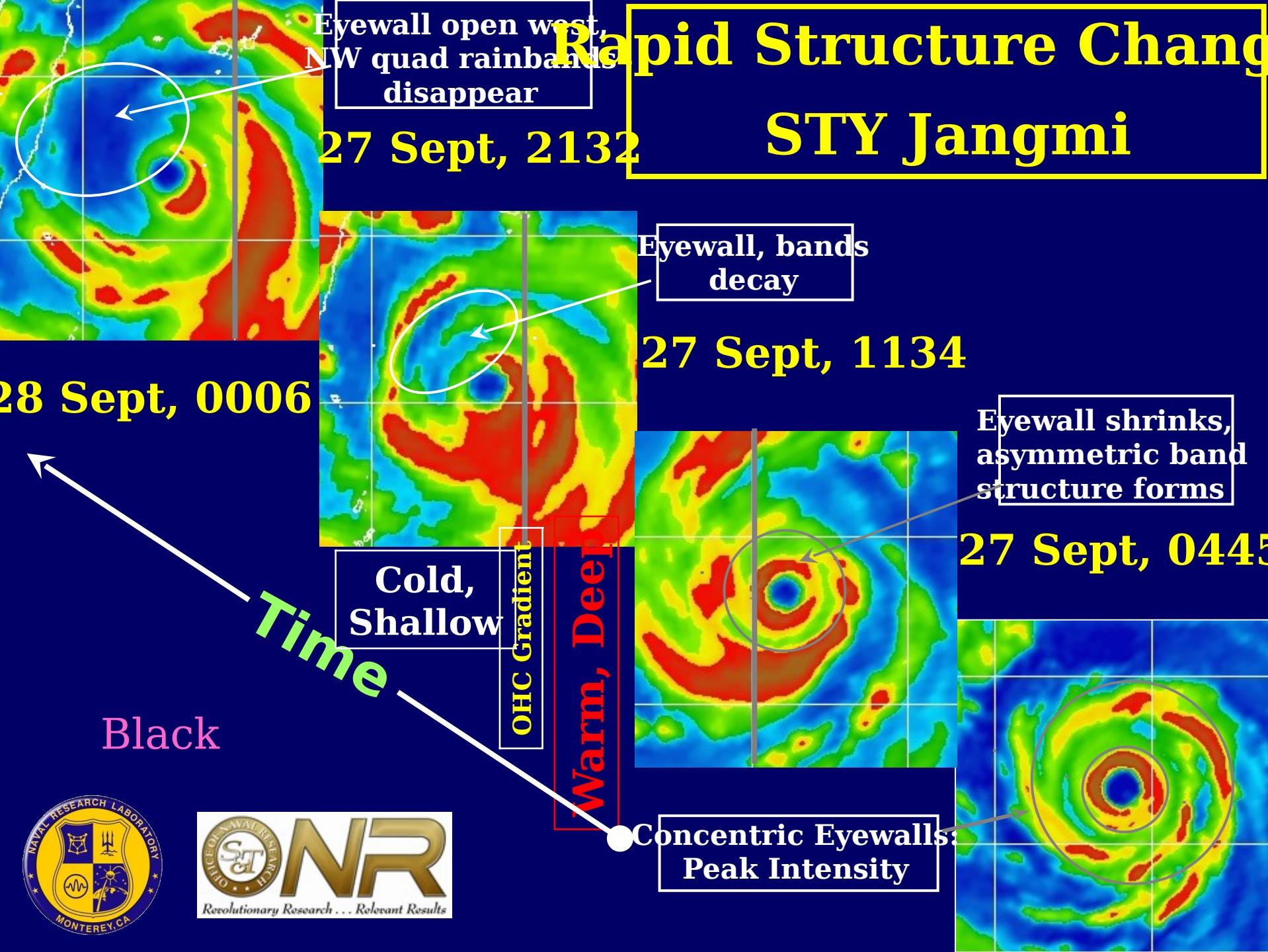




# TCS-08 Shear Impacts on TCs

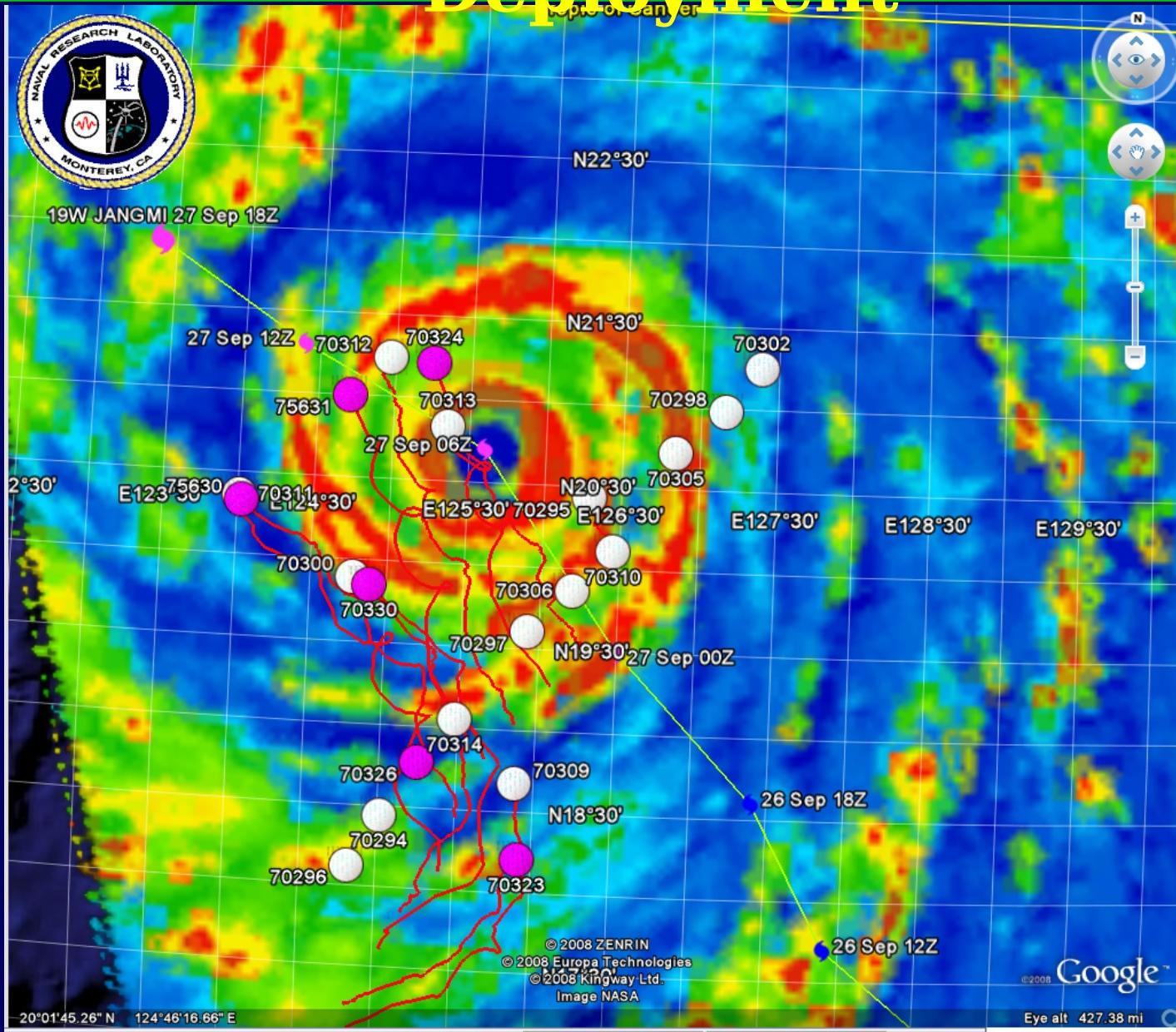
High altitude (30,000') dropsondes enable shear studies





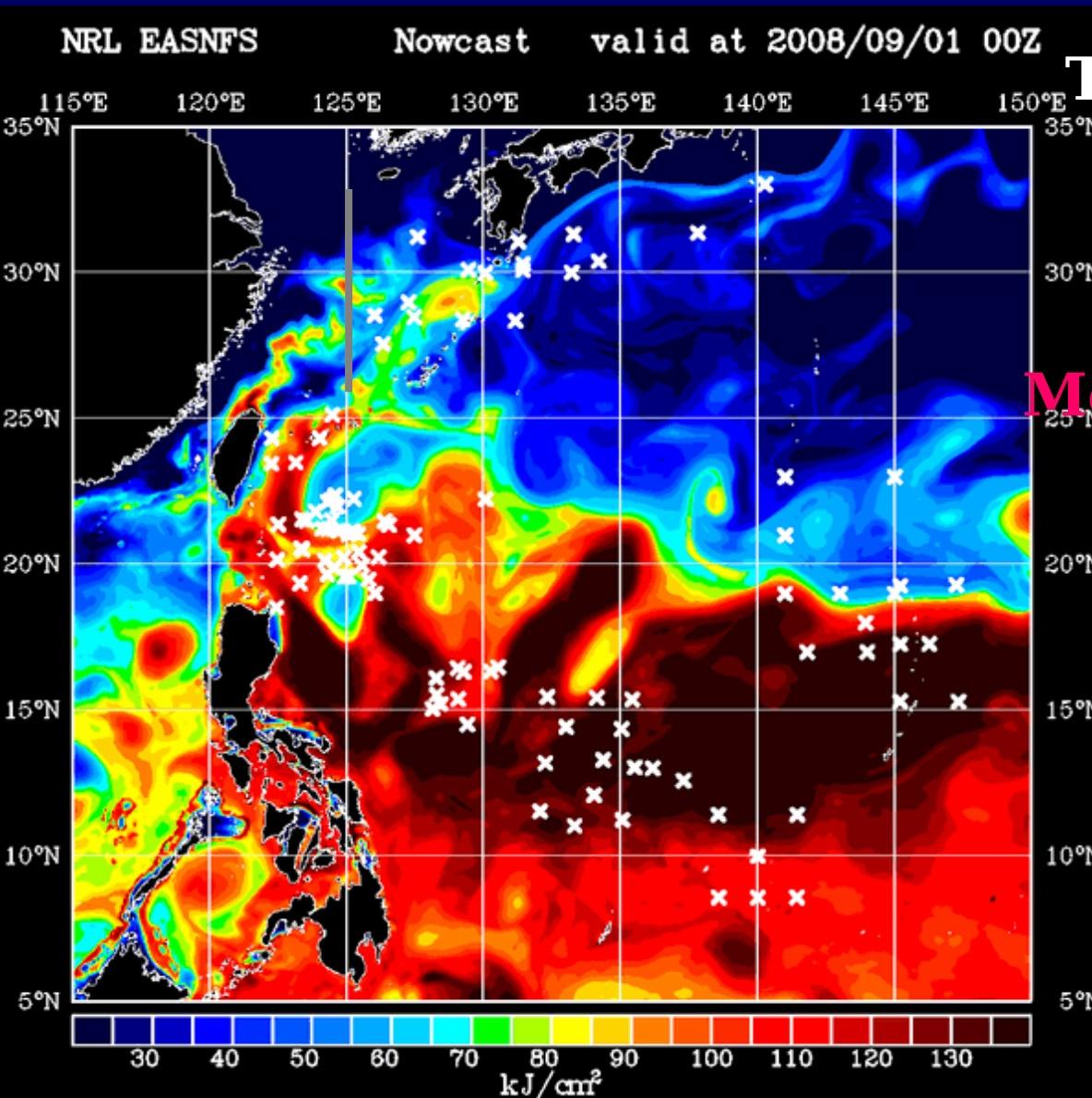


# WC-130J Drifting Buoy Deployment



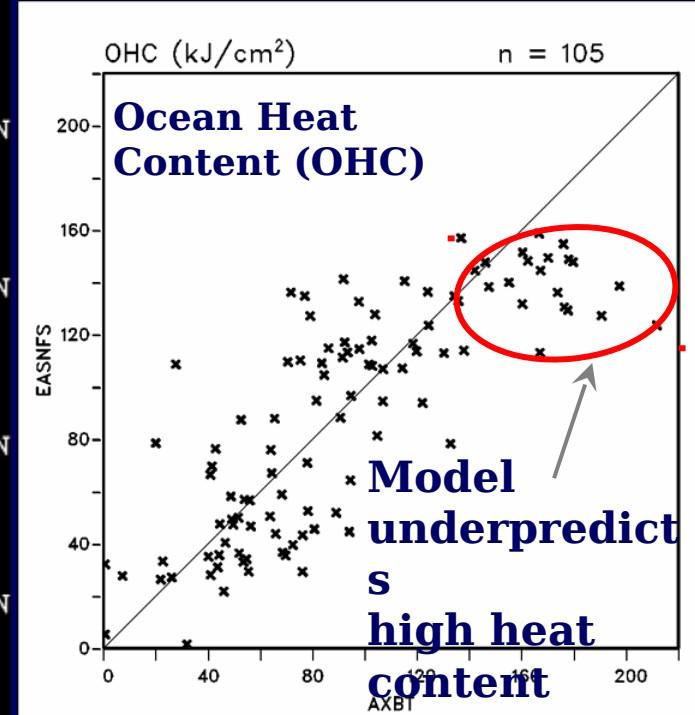


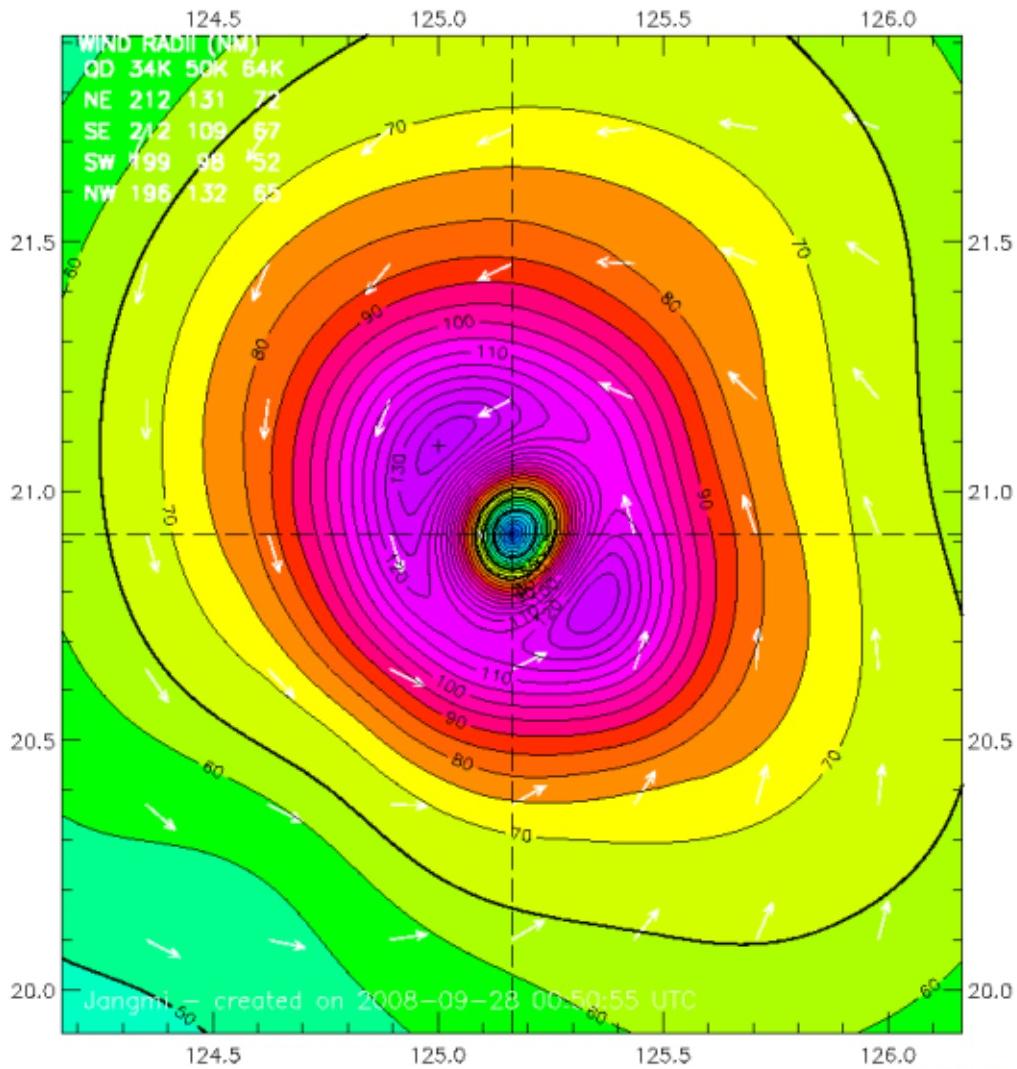
# TCS-08 Ocean Heat Content: Preview of ITOP2010



TCS08 AXBT Location  
Ko, NRL Stennis

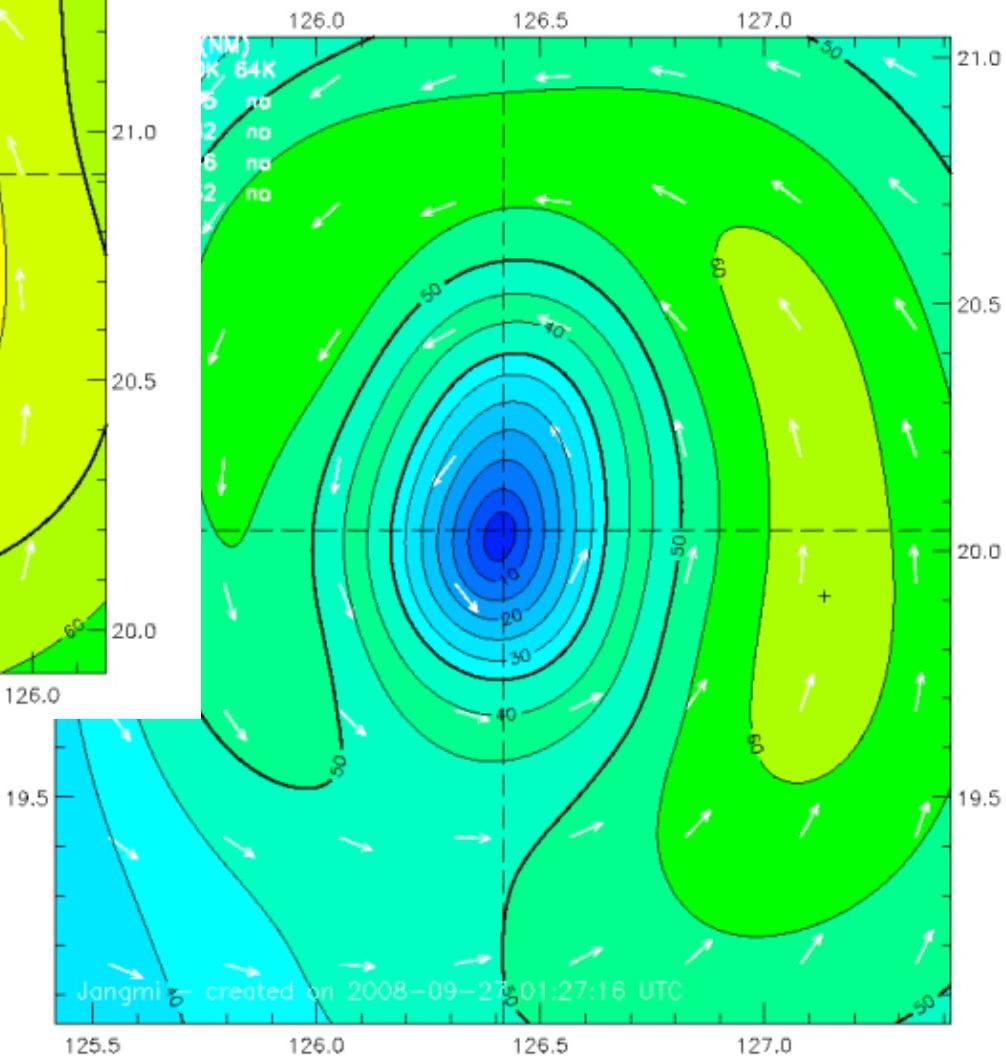
AXBT vs NRL Ocean  
Model Initial Condition



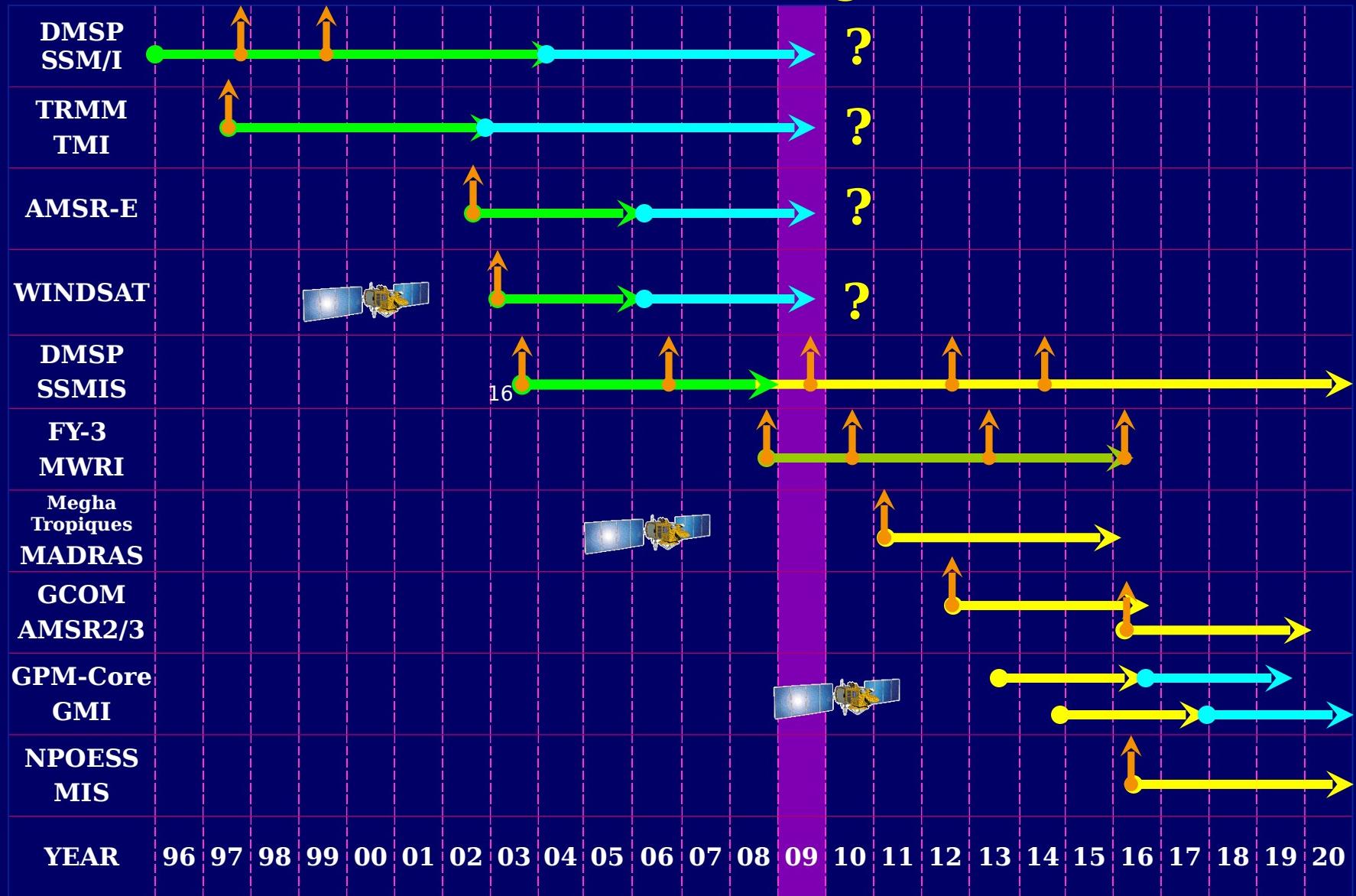


**WC-130J**  
**SFMR data defines**  
**more accurate TC**  
**intensity and size**

**QSCAT- and ASCAT-only**  
**Data over-estimates size**  
**and under-estimates**  
**intensity**



# Passive Microwave Imager Missions



→ Primary mission

→ Projected extended mission

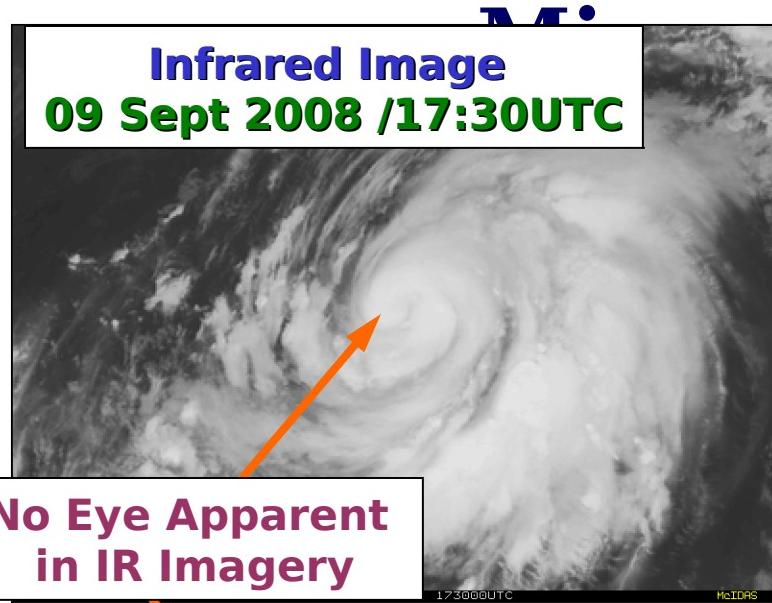
↑ Launches

→ Future

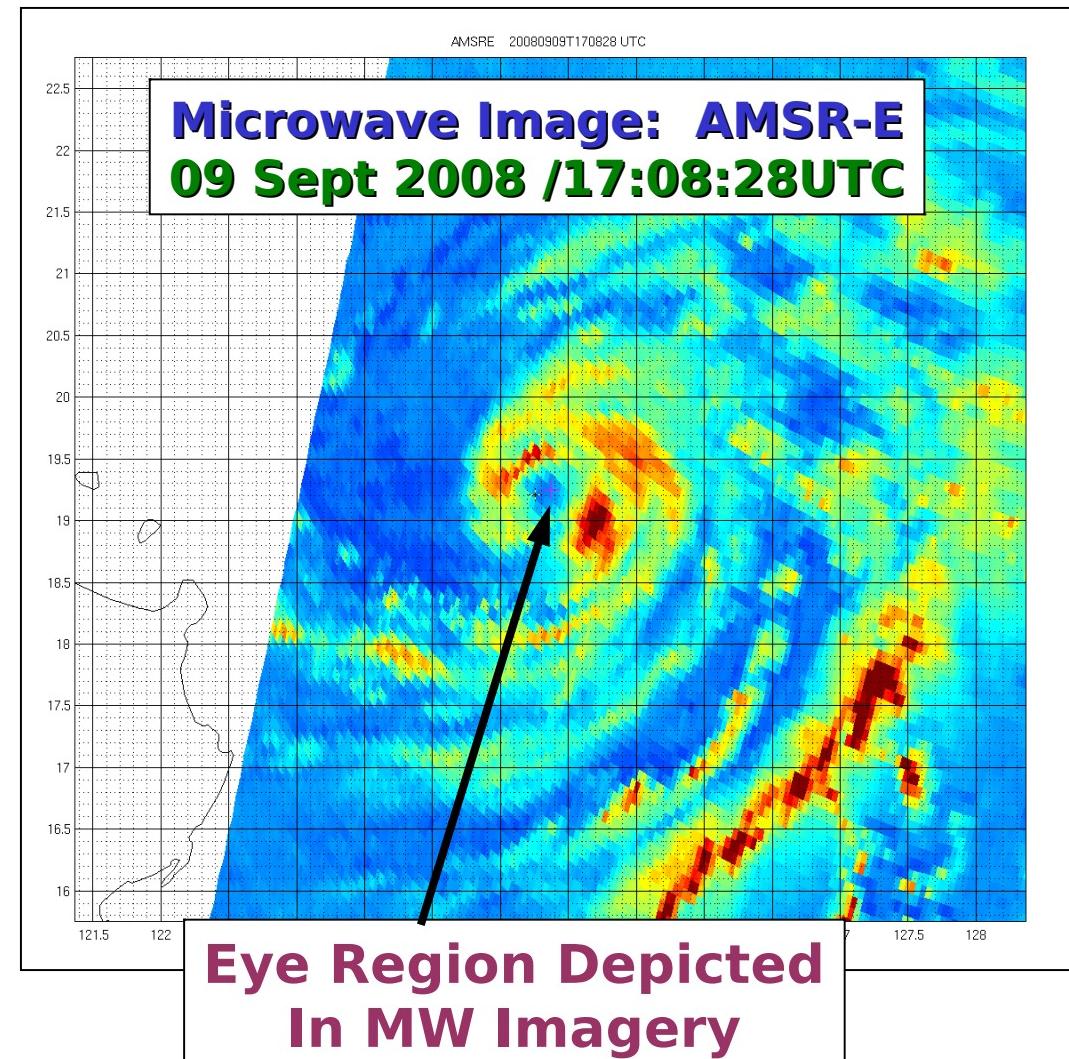
April 2009  
Hawkins-Hou-  
Ferraro



# Advanced Dvorak Technique (ADT)



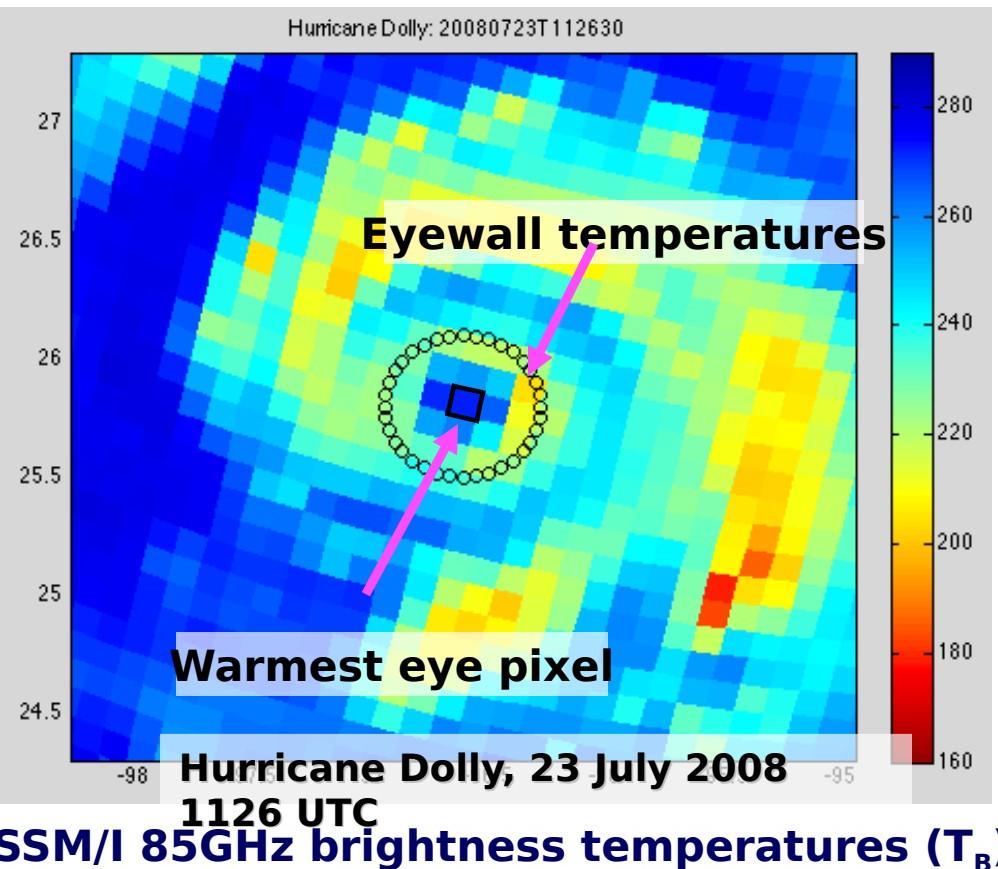
## Microwave (ADT-MW)





# ADT-MW Module

**Augments ADT by monitoring eyewall structure via microwave imagery during eye formation stages obscured by upper clouds (CDO)**



- **Uses  $T_B$  discriminators to analyze TC core structure and output “scores” related to TC intensity**
  - **Scheme estimates storms:**
    - Greater than 65 knots
    - Greater than 85 knots
  - **Scores exceeding thresholds in these intensity bins are passed to ADT with Current Intensity (CI) values which override ADT IR-based estimates**
  - **6.4 Demo Transition in**



# ADT-MW Example

Typhoon Nuri (13W)

ADT intensity estimates versus Operational Best Track

